IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 219 OF 2001

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd... Petitioners
and another.
V/s.
Petroleum Employees' Union ... Respondents
& Ors.

Mr. Ganesh Shetty i/b. Crawford Beyley & Co. for the petitioner.

CORAM : F.I. REBELLO &
ANOOP V. MOHTA,JJ.
DATED : 13th December, 2006

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. According to the petitioners, their purpose was served by the interim order. They now seek to withdraw the petition. We however make it clear that we doubt the correctness of the proposition that a Writ Court can grant an injunction restraining an Union or Workmen from going on a strike. If a Civil Court cannot grant any such injunction, prima facie a Writ Court cannnot do so. Apart from that an Union is not a State within the meaning of Article 12 of the Constitution of India.

2. With the above observations, Rule discharged. There shall be no order as to costs.

[F.I. REBELLO, J.]

[ANOOP V. MOHTA, J.]